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| Inventor(s) Daniel Hoo et al. | | | | |
| Title of Invention METHOD FOR INCREASING ABSORPTION RATE OF AQUEOUS SOLUTION INTO A BASESHEET | | | | |

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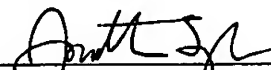
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- ☐ Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR § 1.27 has been established by verified statement previously submitted.
- ☐ A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR §§ 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.
- ☐ Petition for a _____ month extension of time.
- ☒ No additional fee is required.
- ☐ The fee has been calculated as shown below:

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| Total | | Minus | | | x \$9= | | | x \$18= | |
| Indep. | | Minus | | | x 40= | | | x \$80= | |
| First Presentation of Multiple Dep. Claim | | | | | +\$135= | | | +\$270= | |
| | | | | | Total add'l fee | \$ | | Total add'l fee | \$ |

- ☐ Please charge Deposit Account No. 23-1925 (BRINKS HOFER GILSON & LIONE) in the amount of \$_____. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
- ☐ A check in the amount of \$_____ to cover the filing fee is enclosed.
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